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DETAILED ACTION

Drawings

1. The drawing Figure 1 is objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they do not include the following reference character(s) mentioned in the description: 102, 105, 112, 115. Corrected drawing sheet is required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. The replacement sheet(s) should be labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header (as per 37 CFR 1.84(c)) so as not to obstruct any portion of the drawing figures. If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.
2. The informal drawing Fig. 2 is not of sufficient quality to permit examination. Accordingly, replacement drawing sheet is required in reply to this Office action. The replacement sheet(s) should be labeled "Replacement Sheet" in the page header (as per 37 CFR 1.84(c)) so as not to obstruct any portion of the drawing figure. If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action.

Applicant is given a TWO MONTH time period to submit new drawing in compliance with 37 CFR 1.81. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely submit replacement drawing sheets will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application.

Claim Objections

3. Claim 9, page 17, line 15 is objected to because of the following informalities: “...after storing ...” should change to “...after writing...”. Appropriate correction is required.

Allowable Subject Matter

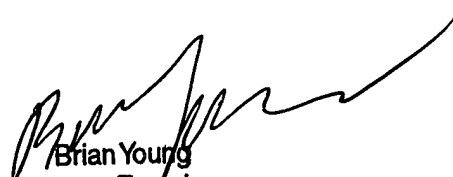
4. Claims 1-12 are allowed.

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art fails to show a first register for storing one or more symbols from the second plurality of variable length codes and a portion of a particular symbol from the second plurality of variable length codes; and memory for storing the contents of the first register after storing the portion of the particular symbol from the second plurality of variable length codes in the first register as called for in claims 1, 5 and 9. Therefore, claims 1-12 are allowed.

Conclusion

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John B Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-1808. The examiner can normally be reached on 8AM-4:30PM M-F.

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